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Family-owned firm joins criticism of redevlopment

by Trevor Bevins

GOULDS of Dorchester has become the latest critic of the district council handling of the Charles Street redevelopment.

Director Roger Gould has written to West Dorset District Council's (WDDC) chief executive this week to express his concern over proposals to reduce the level of car parking in Charles Street.

Mr Gould says the family-owned company, the town's biggest privately-owned store, has always been supportive of a retail-led development for the Charles Street site in Dorchester, although it would mean greater competition for the company.

"Our judgement was that the right scale of development would be of real benefit to the town and help reduce any 'leakage' to other destinations.

"The recent reports emanating from the press are causing us a major concern with the suggestion that the promised level of car parking might be reduced on the site.

"All our planning has been done on the premise that at the very least the original number of spaces would be reinstated.

"It is patently clear that if two major retailers opened large new anchor stores on site, (plus many other smaller shops) this would be the absolute minimum required. Indeed extra additional parking facilities would also be required elsewhere to cope with the increased traffic generated.

"It is inconceivable that this new scheme could be viable with a significant reduction in adjacent car parking spaces.

"We are currently investing a substantial sum of money in the expectation that the commitment to parking in the town centre was an absolute precondition to any development and we would very strongly object to any reduction in car parking spaces on the site."

Meanwhile residents have been queuing in South Street to sign the petition calling on WDDC to engage in public consultation before agreeing to spend £2 million of public money on Phase Two of the Charles Street development.

"Over 500 people signed our petition in just three hours on Saturday," said local Councillor Andy Canning.

"The response was fantastic. Local people are very angry about yet again being denied a say before a key decision affecting the town is taken.

"Some people question whether it's right to spend £2 million of public money supporting a shopping development. Others told me how difficult it is now to find a parking space on a Saturday or Wednesday.

"Many blame the loss of 220 car parking spaces where the new council offices have gone for the closure of so many shops in recent weeks. The one thing everyone is united about is that WDDC must speak with local residents and local businesses before taking a final decision."

There is also an online petition which has now attracted over 500 signatures. This can be found at - www.charlesstreetpetition.org.uk.

More businesses to 'shut up shop'

STARBUCKS in South Street, Dorchester, has closed its doors this week, closely followed by an announcement from Stead and Simpson that it too will close, leaving the main shopping street with another vacant property.

Stead and Simpson blames "poor performance and rising costs" but has yet to announce a closure date.

Where possible staff will be offered positions at other outlets in the county.

South Street market traders meanwhile had cause for celebration after a decision which could have seen them shut by 2014 was deferred.

The Joint Markets Committee, formed from West Dorset district and Dorchester town councillors, met in private last week as a panel, thus avoiding publicity, to consider their future.

A report will now been commissioned from consultants to look at the future of South Street.

The report to councillors says the traditional stalls market does "not add to the shopping experience" of those using the street.

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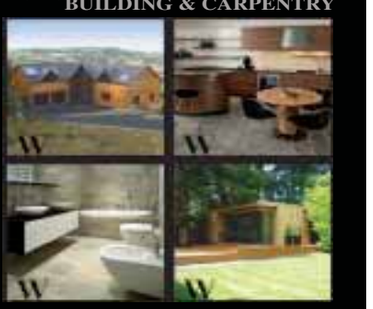
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KEVIN Payne from Bridport in Scouter-in-Charge at the 1st Charmouth Scouts Group, which is currently seeking a new cub leader.

Born in Epsom, Kevin lived in Surrey for his whole life before moving to West Allington, Bridport, in 2011 with his long-term partner.

He retired early from a career in science and technical public relations and has been involved in scouting since childhood.

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● WERE you a scout as a child?
Yes, a long time ago, in the 7th Malden (St James) Scout Group. The best parts were summer camps, constructing monkey bridges and building our own HQ. I think some of my back problems stem from mixing concrete every weekend for three months!

● HOW long have you been a scout leader?
Some of the scouts joke that I camped on Brownsea Island with Baden-Powell in 1907, when he founded scouting, but that's not quite true! I have only been a leader for 36 years!

● HOW did you become involved with the 1st Charmouth Scouts?
I offered my services as soon as I moved to Dorset and was asked to help out at Charmouth as the scout troop was about to close through a lack of leaders. Fortunately, I now have two brilliant assistants, plus additional help, meaning we can run a really attractive programme of activities for our 18 scouts.

● HOW would you encourage others to join the scouts?
Helping with beavers, cubs or scouts is great fun and it's very rewarding to see young people develop self-confidence and self-reliance by participating in a wide range of activities in a non-school environment.

● HOW do you think scouting can benefit children?
It encourages both personal development and team work. It also gives them a real sense of pride when they learn new skills, gain a badge or do well in a competition. For example, we had 11 scouts on our Survival Skills Badge Camp and they had great fun

building shelters, lighting fires without matches, making traps and cooking rabbits.

● TELL us about Charmouth Scouts' current "Going For Gold" campaign...
When I arrived in Charmouth, I was shocked at the state of our HQ and worked with our group chairman, Tom Summers, to develop the "Going for Gold" fundraising campaign aimed at making it fit for our 21st century beavers, cubs and scouts. We have had fantastic support from the local community, and have started re-staining the outside walls. However, the whole future of the Group is under threat as we have yet to find a new cub leader and may have to close the pack at Christmas.

● WHAT are your other personal interests?
I play golf regularly, enjoy walking coastal and inland paths and try to travel behind a steam locomotive at least once a year.

● WHAT do you like about living in the area?
The variety of the countryside and the friendliness of the local people.

● WHAT would you change about or add to the area if you could?
I'd build a by-pass around Chideock as this would make my weekly journey from West Allington to the scout hut far more predictable.

● WHAT three items would you want with you on a deserted island?
A nice long piece of rope, as this would be essential for shelter building; a sharp Swiss Army knife; and a digital radio, capable of picking up both Classic FM and Planet Rock to keep me sane (as long as I blocked out the incessant adverts!).

● WHICH three people would you invite to your dream dinner party?
Bear Grylls (the current Chief Scout), as he would have some great survival tales to tell; Isambard Kingdom Brunel, so I could find out what made him such a brilliant engineer and Jack Nicklaus, so he could pass on some useful golf tips!

The 1st Charmouth Scouts is currently seeking a new cub leader. For more details on the role or to volunteer contact Kevin Payne by emailing payne.kevin6@gmail.com or phone 01308 459080

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Co-op covers the cost

A DONATION of £2,000 The Co-operative's Community Fund has helped the Dorchester-based Footprints Project to cover mentoring costs for its service supporting ex-offenders.

Jane Barkes, from The Footprints Project, said: "We are extremely grateful to The Co-operative for this cash boost as it has helped to secure our mentoring service in the area.

"The support we provide for ex-offenders has helped to reduce reoffending and improve the lives of those who have served their time so we really appreciate this financial backing."

Fay Bowden, from The Co-operative's membership team for Dorset, said: "Because our members own the business, they get a share in any of the profits we make.

"It's a scheme we're very proud of, not only because it gives us the chance to thank members for shopping with us, but because so many people choose to give something back to local communities"

■ FOOTPRINTS in Dorchester celebrating its windfall from the Co-Op Community Fund. From left, Joe Tenbos, Victoria Rogers, Natalie Adaway, Burnadette Macdonald – Raggett, Jane Barkes (Project Manager), Natalie Stride, Vicki Black (Co-operative committee member), Karen Sherman

Co-operative members receive a payment twice a year based on the points they earn when they trade at any of the group's businesses.

"There is around £600,000 available in this region, each year, from the Community Fund, and we welcome applications from local groups and projects for £100 to £2,000," said Fay.

Community Fund application forms are available by phoning 0844 262 4001 or at www.co-operative.coop/communityfund.

Awards are allocated by local Co-operative members' committees.

High sheriff to get the 'offender' treatment

DORSET High Sheriff Jeremy Pope will be treated as an offender this week to mark the 40th anniversary of the unpaid work sentence which courts can order as an alternative to prison.

The High Sheriff, a former director of Dorchester brewers Eldridge Pope, will be attending the Community Payback unit headquarters at Wareham on the morning of October 31st to join in an induction session.

One of the unit's supervisors, Mervyn Harris, has just been awarded a 'certificate' for the Butler Trust, for his work on a conservation project.

Mr Harris, who lives in the Dorchester area, is being honoured for his work with a presentation for him on November 12th.

Round table seeks new members for the area

DORCHESTER Round Table, the group behind the town's carnival and partners in the annual Beerex, is seeking to recruit new members.

The organisation, which is aimed at men up to the age of 45, meets twice where men from all walks of life can socialise and get involved in all kinds of team activities and trips," said Jason Thompson, from the group.

Further information can be found by emailing join@roundtable.org.uk.

Nando's confirm it will create 25 jobs in town

NANDO'S has confirmed that it will create 25 jobs in Dorchester when it opens at Brewery Square in January.

The chain will take up an 80-seat unit in Dray Horse Yard next to the Odeon cinema.

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Hospital staffs' plea for trust to pull out of consortium

STAFF at the County Hospital are calling on the health trust to pull out of the South West consortium which is looking to restructure pay and conditions for staff.

Protestors spoke to governors when they met in Dorchester for a board meeting.

Unions fear any change in conditions will worsen working conditions, reduce pay and leave entitlement and lessen pension pay-outs – in the long run making the local NHS less attractive as a career option, damaging services for patients.

Proposals being considered include locally negotiated agreements which could see South West staff paid less than elsewhere for the same jobs.

Trust chairman Jeffery Ellwood has previously said that in three years hospital finances face "going over a cliff".

"When your costs exceed your income you are in trouble," he warned.

A petition has been circulating calling on the Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to pull out of the South West Pay, Terms and Conditions Consortium.

Hospital pharmacist Martin Shepherd has said he and colleagues were disappointed that the Trust had gone ahead and joined the Consortium without any prior discussion with local union members. He claims that morale in the hospital was as low as it had ever been during his 27 years' service.

"Whatever the causes of the financial difficulties the NHS is currently experiencing, the rewards paid to staff are in no way over generous or unreasonable.".

Director of workforce and human resources at the County Hospital, Mark Power, told governors that with around 3,000 staff and an annual pay bill of £94million it was felt that tackling rising staff costs at a time of declining income was key to maintaining services into the future.

He said that the work of the consortium was about protecting as many jobs as possible.

Mr Power said that membership of the consortium did not bind the trust to any conclusions it might come to and the trust would ultimately make its own decisions locally on pay and conditions.

Police warning of thieves targeting vans and sheds

VANS and sheds continue to be targeted by thieves in the Dorchester area.

Police say that last week four vans were broken into at Puddletown and three sheds broken into at Frampton. Both had various power tools, including chainsaws taken.

The incidents follow a series of similar thefts in the Dorchester area.

Police are again reminding people to consolidate valuable tools in a very secure place under lock and key and to make notes of any serial numbers.

They also suggest that if tools have to be left in vans to reverse so that the rear doors up against walls or garage doors.

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■ DANIEL Craig as James Bond in the new movie Skyfall

Charity Bond screening

THE new James Bond film will be premiered in Dorchester's new Odeon cinema, a day before it goes on general release.

The charity screening of Skyfall at Brewery Square will take place today, Thursday, October 25th, with profits going to the Wessex Autistic Society.

Also taking place during the evening will be an auction of jewellery to raise further funds from the event.

Former Bond producer Anthony Way, from Pinewood Studios, will also be attending to talk about his work on the series over the years, prior to the start of the film.

Tickets for the evening cost £20, which include canapés and drinks. Dress will be black tie with a 7pm start.

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Concerned citizen airs 'council' views

by Philip Evans
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A BRIDPORT businessman, describing himself as a "concerned citizen", has sent a communication to all members of West Dorset District Council (WDDC) highlighting the broken promises made over the construction of new council offices in Dorchester.

When the Charles Street development was in its planning stage, the district council produced a four-page leaflet listing all the advantages including on-going savings for the council taxpayers of West Dorset.

Among the claims made in the leaflet was that the £9.7 million development would bing in £60 million in private investment and create 660 jobs.

The leaflet claimed that the sale of the council's existing offices, Stratton House in High West Street, would bring in £3.5 million, but that figure has now been rounded down to £1 million due to the state of the economy.

Peter Watson, who has lived in Bridport for five years, has reproduced the leaflet with a superimposed panel saying "Remember?".

He has then highlighted all the claims which he now believes are misleading or inaccurate to remind councillors of their original commitments.

The leaflet has been email or posted to all 48 members of the district council before their meeting tomorrow (Thursday) when the council is expected to ratify a decision by the executive, led by council leader Robert Gould, to plough another £2 million into the project .

Following discussions at the last Executive Committee, a number of changes were made to the recommendations relating to Charles Street Phase Two.

The amended recommendations to be considered by the full council tomorrow are:

*Council approves taking forward the Charles Street Phase Two scheme in partnership with Simons

* That in order to progress the implementation of the retail scheme the council approves in principle up to a maximum of £2 million to be used to enhance the value of the council's assets by securing land assembly and associated work including:

*Relocating the Dorchester Family Church from Acland Road to Trinity Street to a new church building to be provided by the Council on the site and acquiring the Church's freehold interest by means of a land swap.

*Securing the pedestrian access and landing rights through the Tudor and Hardye arcades.

*Securing other access rights including making the appropriate traffic regulation orders.

* Securing rights of light and other legal costs.

*The council agrees to Wollaston Fields car park remaining for short stay parking.

The original recommendations and full report to which the recommendations refer can be seen at www.dorsetforyou.com/406327.

'Decision day' for town's controversial development

TODAY, October 25th, is decision day for the future of Dorchester's Charles Street development.

West Dorset councillors are being asked to scale back the project while at the same time pumping an extra £2million into the scheme.

West Dorset District Council claims this will help secure the future of the next phase, and prepare the site should economic conditions improve.

Protestors are concerned that the recommendations will simply end up costing local council taxpayers more – and are still unhappy about what they say is the lack of consultation and democratic accountability.

A charge the district council has denied.

Lib Dem councillor Ros Kayes said there had been "great disquiet" over decisions made about phase two of Dorchester's Charles Street revamp with worries that the £60m retail plans are "not financially viable".

There are doubts too about the savings of £145,000 a year WDDC claimed it would make by moving offices after it was revealed that its highest offer for the current council offices in High West Street amounted to little more than £1million, far short of the minimum figure of £3.5m it was told to expect.

The town now faces the real prospect of having two WDDC headquarters, one of them empty, unless the council takes the loss of income on the chin and settles for a lower amount than planned.

Local traders are also angry that the scheme has so far meant the loss of more than half a million one-hour parking spaces, which they say has resulted in a dramatic drop in business.

A report to today's (25th) full council meeting in Dorchester recommends the authority funds £2m of preparatory work including the relocation the Dorchester Community Church from Acland Road to Trinity Street.

Phase two of the Charles Street scheme, which was approved in 2010, had been due to include a hotel and an underground public car park.

Councillors are now being asked to approve 24 flats in place of the hotel; reduce the size of the underground car park with equivalent spaces to be created with ramped parking at Farifield.

An online petition was launched last week to persuade the council to engage in further public consultation.

It can be found at - www.charlesstreetpetition.org.uk.

Amongst the comments entered on the site is this one: "All the things said at the public meetings against the Charles street development are coming true. WDDC said the second phase would go ahead if the district and county council put in the money for new offices and library.

"Now we are told the second phase is not viable without additional money. WDDC said they could sell Stratton house for £3millon plus. Now they are saying they can only get a fraction of that money. 'I told you so' comes to mind."

Lyme Bay Dentistry welcomes new dentist to the team

Dr Nike Goodluck BSc (Hons), BDS (Hons) Lond

LYME Bay Dentistry would like to welcome Nike to their practice in Broad Street, Lyme Regis. Nike joins as a full time dentist and member of the team from December 2012.

Nike graduated with a BSc First Class Joint Honours degree in Biochemistry and Microbiology from Kings College London.

She went on to study Dentistry at Bart's and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry and graduated with a BDS honours. She was awarded the University of London Gold Medal for outstanding achievement, which is presented annually and competed for by the top four per cent of dental graduates from London.

Nike worked in general practices in London before moving to Devon.

She is also qualified to administer facial aesthetics (anti-wrinkle treatment) which will be offered at the practice.

Nike's interests include being an avid gardener specifically aimed at establishing self-sufficiency (fruit and veg), which was a main incentive that drew her to Devon from London. She is also interested in worldwide cuisine and cooking particularly the foods of south east Asia.

Nike's dentistry interest lies in the restorative field

and further education at the moment, which includes MSc Implantology at University of Bristol.

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‘End of life’ partnership

HOSPITAL JOINS FORCES WITH TRUST TO IMPROVE STANDARD OF CARE TO THOSE NEARING END OF LIFE

DORSET County Hospital and the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust have joined together to improve the care offered to patients who are nearing the end of their life.

Weldmar is running a programme of training days for nurses and healthcare assistants which will equip ‘End of Life Care Champions’ with the knowledge and skills to ensure patients and their families have the best experience possible.

Caroline Sweetland, Education Nurse Facilitator explained: “The End of Life Care Champions will be studying all aspects of end of life care, including pain control, communication skills and care of patients who are dying and their families.

“The days will also include advice and support on how to disseminate the knowledge and skills amongst their work colleagues.

“In addition to the study days, Champions will spend a placement day in practice, shadowing a specialist in palliative care, further developing their skills and knowledge.”

Dorset County Hospital’s Deputy Director of Nursing Tess Drabble added: “Our Champions are really keen to make a difference and improve the care that is offered to patients who are approaching the end of their lives by all the health professionals they come into contact with so we can make their final days as comfortable as possible.

“We also want to ensure we are doing everything we can to support patients’ families at such a distressing time.”

THE Dorset County Hospital End of Life Care Champions at their first training session with Weldmar Hospicecare Trust

Museum to host kids’ ‘dino’ sleep over

DORSET County Museum is planning its sixth annual ‘sleep with dinosaurs’ event.

The family sleepover, in the museum, will be held on Saturday, October 27th.

For children between the ages of seven and 12, activities include arts and crafts, storytelling and a surprise group project.

Free tea, coffee and soft drinks will be available throughout the evening and breakfast is provided on Sunday morning. Each child must be accompanied by an adult parent or carer, but each adult can bring up to three children.

Learning manager at the museum, Pippa Brindley said: “Last year’s Egyptian sleepover was fantastic but we think we can do even better this year.”

Tickets cost £12.50 for children and £10 for adults. To book call on 01305 756827 or email shop@dorsetcountymuseum.org.

Age UK holds talk on care fee planning

AGE UK Dorchester is holding a talk on care fee planning.

Many people believe, wrongly, that they will get State help with their care when they get old – but the reality is that most do not. For some care fees can cost over £20,000 a year.

Age UK Dorchester and The Wealth Care Partnership (Independent Care Fees Specialists), are working together to provide information to older people in West Dorset.

The seminar, on Monday , October 29th, will take place at Age UK’s Dorchester headquarters at Rowan Cottage on Prince of Wales Road, starting at 10am.

“If you would like to understand more about this subject and how it may affect you, please contact us to let us know that you would like to attend. The seminar is completely free and will help to provide the options for people facing lifetime care fees,” said a spokesman for the charity.

Vacant council seats

THE next meeting of Crossways Parish Council will take place tonight, Thursday, October 25th, in the village hall at 7pm.

The agenda is available on the council’s website. Prior to the meeting there will be a public participation period at which any Crossways area residents they may address the council to ask questions or raise concerns

The parish council meeting will be followed, on Tuesday, November 13th by the sports’ field and recreation committee, to be held in the sports pavilion, Dick o’ th’ Banks Road, at 7pm.

The council currently has three vacancies and is inviting residents who might like to be co-opted to the council to contact them.

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Schools could win prizes by signing up to record attempt

IF a Dorchester school is the 1,000th to register for SignHealth's Guinness World Record attempt, sign2sing, it could win classroom resources.

Rowena Dean, head of marketing and communications at SignHealth, which is the national healthcare charity for deaf people, said: "690 hearing and deaf schools have already signed up for sign2sing, which takes place next February and we're hoping more than 1,000 will take part, so we're on a mission to register more schools in the next few months.

"The 1,000th school to sign up will win 'Sign with Olli' classroom resources and it could be one in the area, so we're hoping Dorchester teachers get involved to be in with a chance to receive the prizes.

"We will also be hosting monthly prize draws up to the event for registered schools to win the 'Sign with Olli' books.

"Sign2sing is our world record breaking attempt for the most people signing and singing a song at the same time while also raising money for SignHealth."

This will be the charity's third sign2sing event and SignHealth is hoping to involve more than 175,000 youngsters. Schools, colleges and nurseries across the country can all host their own sign2sing event.

The children's book character, Olli the monkey, who loves to sign, will feature in the online resource pack and in an interactive game called 'Monkey Manor', which has been created by Jamie Goldblatt, Co-founder of Digital Giving.

Although the game is entertainment-led, players will be steered to access important communication messages, tips and information as part of the gaming experience.

On Wednesday, February 6th 2013 young people from all over the country and overseas will sign a song, entitled 'sign2sing', which has been composed especially for the event.

Schools wishing to take part are invited to register their interest via the website www.sign2sing.org.uk.

Scout group seeks more adult leaders

CROSSWAYS Scout Group is looking for more adult leaders to cope with the success of the group.

The Scout Troop now has 20 members and is soon to grow with transfers from the Cubs after the October half term.

"This is wonderful news but does mean we are in need of men and women to come forward as leaders or helpers for this section.

"It is some of the most rewarding work and you can make a difference in the lives of our most valuable asset—the young people of today," said leader Andrew Brewer.

He is asking anyone interested in the role to contact him for an information discussion.

Mr Brewer also reports that the group now has several youngsters who would like to join Beavers, but a few more are needed to make the colony viable.

Help is also needed from an adult to deliver the Scout Post in the area, covering Moreton and Owermoigne and a small area in and around Crossways.

Mr Brewer can be contacted on 01305 853125/07903 031734 or at brewera3@hotmail.com.

Strollers venture out of town

DORCHESTER Strollers is planning another trip out of the county town this month – this time to Cattistock.

The walking group with the objective of providing enjoyable, gentle exercise, will be travelling to the village on Sunday, October 28th, meeting at the church gates at 2pm with a cream tea to follow the walk.

In the coming days the group's activities remain in Dorchester – on Monday 29th at 10.30am at the Diabetes Centre in Bridport Road and finally, for October, at North Square on Tuesday 30th at 2.15pm.

Further information about the group can be found in the town library or Tourist Information Centre or by calling group secretary Sue Blake on 01305 263759.

View letters

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Send your letters by email to edit@pemedia.co.uk

Amnesty group thanks town's people for funds

DORCHESTER and District Amnesty Group thanks everyone who contributed to our street collection on Saturday, October 13th, which raised the splendid sum of £255.63.

This year sees the 20th anniversary of our local group, and we are very grateful to Dorchester residents and visitors who, even in these times of financial uncertainty, continue to support us so generously.

The money raised will be used to campaign on behalf of human rights defenders worldwide, and those who have been imprisoned, tortured, or threatened because of their peacefully-held political or religious beliefs.

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Lions delighted with swimathon response

DORCHESTER'S 30th annual Swimarathon which took place in the town's new pool recently could raise more than £3,500.

Dorchester Lions say they were delighted with the response with more than 30 teams taking part – between them swimming more than 1,500 laps of the 25 metre pool on Saturday alone.

Almost a dozen teams added significantly to that today over two hours on Sunday morning.

Sponsorship raised on the day is shared between charities nominated by swimmers and Lions charities, with much of the organisers money going to local groups of Sport for the Disabled.

"We were delighted to have access to the new pool before its official opening and we would like to thank all the individuals and teams who have supported us, many of them over a number of years," said Lions spokesman Andy Rose.

Over the years the event has raised over £100,000 for charity, 95 per cent of which has been donated to local good causes.

Amongst those long-standing teams are West Dorset Warriors who managed to field five teams, despite some of their swimming then having to go on and take part in a major gala, which they won.

Thornlow Preparatory School also entered five teams and Dorchester printers Henry Ling were back, for what they believe is their 20th year, with a number of teams – organised by Helen Kennett.

"It's certainly 19 years, it might be twenty, and each year we put in a number of teams.

"We never seem to be short of volunteers," said Helen.

As an incentive to get sponsorship money paid in the Lions are offering free entry into a draw for those raising more than £100 and getting their money paid in by mid-day on November 17th. The winners will receive an extra cash donation for their charity.

Collections points for sponsorship include Trinity Stores on Trinity Street or Lionds Derrick Buswell at 52 Weatherbury Way, Dorchester or Lions Mervyn Travers at 56 Springfield Road, Broadwey.

If you have a story contact Trevor Bevins on 01305 268457or email trevorbevins@gmail.com

■ SOME of the Henry Ling swimathon team, main. Inset, Swimarathon Lions volunteers lane counting

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Community landscape project gets underway

by Trevor Bevins
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A COMMUNITY landscape project has started in the Cerne valley which will continue until Christmas.

The Cerne Abbas Community Landscape Project will see volunteers working every Thursday to clear scrub from the chalk downland and to link up the habitats down the valley from Lyons Gate to Charminster.

Funding from The Patsy Wood Trust has helped to pay for the work to be carried out with organisers hoping to involve people from the villages, the local schools and groups of people from the area with disabilities and in recovery from mental health problems.

The sessions are open to everyone who would like to be involved.

The Cerne is renowned for its chalk downland as well as for its scenic beauty with the butterfly list for Black totalling 35 species.

These include Marsh Fritillary, the Duke of Burgundy, Chalkhill Blue, Small Blue and Adonis Blue.

If left unmanaged, the area would soon be lost to ash woodland and the butterflies, orchids and birds would largely disappear.

Once this winter's work is complete activities will include a presentation, social evenings and guided walks – and activities for the local schools.

It is hoped that once the downland is opened up again, regular grazing by sheep and cattle will maintain the habitat in good condition.

Further information about the project can be found at - http://www.eucan.org.uk/page/cerne_valley.

Got a story? Email our reporter Trevor at trevorbevins@gmail.com

Last chance for young people to apply for an educational grant

THIS week is the last chance for young people living in the parishes of Moreton, Affpuddle and Briantspuddle to apply to a local charity for an educational grant.

Those who are undergoing apprenticeships, further or higher education, or a period of training of any other description may qualify for help – but will need to apply by October 31st.

The William Frampton Educational Foundation is available only to those who are in the greatest need of financial assistance for the purchase of books, although help with the costs of travelling to and from school or college may be considered.

Applications forms can be obtained from: Miss M. Frampton, William Frampton Educational Foundation, Park House, Moreton, Dorchester, DT2 8RH.

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Safety fears may mean trees are 'drastically' cut back near A356

DOZENS of trees in a wood at Frampton may have to be drastically cut back after fears over the safety of some of them.

The Frampton Millennium Green Trustees have ordered a report into the future of the trees at Harry's Woods after concerns were raised that quite a large number near the A356 had rot in their base, or were growing in such a way that threatened their stability.

Works now being suggested include either coppicing the trees by cutting at ground level or higher up the trunks, at about two metres, to leave coppards, or higher up between two and six metres to leave pollards.

Permission for the work has been obtained from the West Dorset District Coucil tree officer for the works to go ahead which will be carried out by a qualified arborist.

Residents have been warned that because of the proximity to power lines their electricity may have to be switched off for brief periods while the work goes ahead.

Much of the work is expected to go ahead this winter.

Spooky fun for all the family at village hall

A SPOOKY afternoon of Halloween fun for youngsters is being held at Crossways Village Hall next week.

The party, for kids between the ages of five and eight-years-old, is from 2.30pm to 4.30pm and will be held on Wednesday, October 31st.

Leaders from Crossways Scout Group is running all kinds of activities, games and a special 'Punch and Judy' show, finishing the event with a hot dog and drink.

The event is being offered free and will also provide a chance to find out more about Beaver Scouts and how you can join.

Those of the right age group can just turn up on the afternoon but to help with catering and planning activities. Group Scout Leader Andrew Brewer can be contacted on 01305 853125 or via email at brewera3@hotmail.com.

Get your photo entered in coast award

AMATEUR photographers are being encouraged to take advantage of autumn's colours to enter a competition to find stunning images of the Jurassic Coast.

The 2013 Jurassic Coast Award is a photography competition open to all and with cash prizes totalling £1,800.

The free to enter competition, sponsored by the Fine Family Foundation is open to all ages with a first prize of £500 to the adult winner and £250 for the youth category as well as runner's up cash prizes.

It will be judged by a panel led by photographers Ben Osborne, Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2007, and Joe Cornish, one of Britain's most celebrated landscape photographers.

"The Jurassic Coast is a truly inspiring coastline and I have been privileged to explore it through my recent 'Jurassic Journey' project," explained Ben.

"I am very excited about this competition, which will hopefully encourage people to celebrate this internationally important 95 miles of coast.

"We are looking for entries which illustrate our themes in an innovative and original way."

Images are invited for three categories – My special place, Point in time and Close up coast.

The pictures must have been taken in the last five years or during the competition entry period, which ends on February 25th February 2013.

Sam Rose, World Heritage Team Leader commented: "We are delighted that this year's Jurassic Coast Award is a photography competition.

"The World Heritage Site is very popular subject for many photographers and I'm looking forward to seeing stunning images of that 'different view' of our coast."

The competition is supported by Dorset Wildlife Trust with winning entries to be displayed at the Fine Foundation Chesil Beach Centre during Easter 2013.

Dorset Countryside will host the exhibition in the Fine Foundation Gallery, Durlston Castle in May 2013.

Entries should be sent as prints (maximum of five entries each category), up to A4 size, with the title of image, category of entry, ('Youth' if under 16), name, address, telephone number and email address on the reverse to: Jurassic Coast Award, PO Box 7755, Dorchester, DT1 1GQ.

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A PREVIOUS entry in the Jurassic Coast photography award

Volunteers needed to clean town's 'butt bins'

VOLUNTEERS are wanted to tidy up Dorchester's 70 cigarette 'butt bins'.

Dorchester Stop the Drop, which subsidised the costs of the bins three years ago, carry out a round of maintenance each year.

For many bins this will mean replacing inner trays which have been stolen by those who take the contents to make roll-up cigarettes out of the butts other have left behind.

"On previous occasions, a team of three has taken between three and four hours to complete this work.

"Obviously, if we had a team of six it would take but two hours per team. We usually tackle this on a Sunday morning, when all is quiet, and finish with a coffee.

"The work consists of emptying each bin, replacing any missing trays and/or locks from our stock of spares, spraying the hinges, and giving it a quick polish," said Stop the Drop chair Bob Kerr.

The work will be carried out this Sunday, 28th October. Any volunteers should meet outside the Junction pub at the bottom of Trinity Street, at 9am.

Museum's 'big draw'

DORSET County Museum will be hosting a 'big draw' event next Wednesday, October 31st for children and their families.

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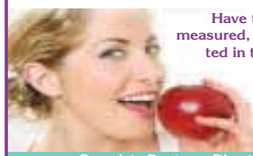

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Council is not accurately representing Dorchester

■ IN the middle of the 19th century two important sites in Dorchester, namely Poundbury hillfort and Maumbury Rings, were threatened by the proposed routes of the two railways entering the county town from the north (Bristol and Bath) and the east (London and Southampton) respectively.

Local people, led by William Barnes and others, who recognised the importance of these two important "heritage" sites campaigned vigorously and successfully to save them finally persuading the railway company directors, who were not from Dorchester, to change their plans.

Today something not so very dissimilar is happening. West Dorset District Councillors, not representing Dorchester, are hell-bent on rushing through Phase 2 of the Charles Street scheme in the teeth of a howling, and very cold, economic gale.

£2million towards the costs of a much reduced scheme (no archaeological excavation, no hotel, smaller car park etc), has not been forthcoming from the developer (Simons) or from private investors and so it is to be provided from the public purse but with absolutely no guarantee that the development itself will follow.

Surely the failure to obtain this money on the open market clearly indicates that all is not well ?

Many in Dorchester wonder if this is an appropriate use of precious public money at a time when considerable numbers of West Dorset residents are struggling; wonder if a second retail-led development in the town centre – Brewery Square already being well under way – is appropriate at a time when internet shopping is growing in significance; wonder why the town's many and varied unique selling points – its rich heritage and associations – are not being used to attract greater footfall and offset the current severe downturn; wonder if this urgency stems from the need to save face by hiding, both literally and metaphorically, the "municipal monstrosity" (so described by the Chairman of the Hardy Society) that is the new WDDC office building; and wonder why their views are so consistently ignored by the powers that be.

Part of the revised plans for Charles Street Phase 2 involves the construction of a multi-storey car park on the Fairfield market site.

I feel certain that the ghost of William Barnes and others would be dismayed at such a proposal and would be hoping that their most special town might once again be saved by the concerted efforts of its citizens to stand strong against the current threats.

Alistair Chisholm
Dorchester

WDDC is destroying town's character with development

■ WDCC is destroying the old and historic character of Dorchester with the Charles Street eyesore, the closure of much needed parking spaces, the stifling of South Street by building that futuristic and rather ugly Brewery.

Dorchester is pretending to be a large and vibrant city.

It is not so. It is a quiet, genteel historic market town.

Filling it with large cinemas and ridiculously fashionable restaurants with fad dishes that most healthy human brings would balk at will not make it New York.

But it will take its unique quiet beauty away.

It is sad to see South Street slowly dying.

Apart from the loss to hardworking shopkeepers, there is a loss to us the residents as we drive frantically in search of a parking space!

Are Mr Gould and his council colleagues really that blind?

Dr. Faysal Mikdadi
Dorchester
Dorset

Town's shopping centre bravely fights recession

■ DESPITE good progress at Brewery Square, we observe Dorchester's central shopping area, bravely fighting recession, now with the additional council-instigated hammer-blow of 600,000 x 1-hour parking spaces totally removed from the town centre, not for affordable housing or a new hospital…but because the council placed its offices on-top-of a pivotal large central car-park.

Because they owned the land they didn't go to market-place tender – they used it themselves, and – as KPMG said – without accounting-in even the value of lost parking fees/fines! Hoping new offices could trigger a new shopping-development.

These offices' absorption of 226 car-park spaces now stems customer-flow to existing shops. Continually WDDC pontificated myopically on possible internal cost savings, never on its very own elimination of town-centre car-parking opportunities.

Councillors, shopkeepers and public believed that compensating central car-parking would be provided in the adjacent car-park, but only later discovered this wouldn't be for three years, one month! Councillors hadn't known this, but stayed loyal.

We've learned this week moreover, although worryingly it appears this information wasn't given to councillors, that Simons' reports to Council leaders in mid 2010 just before the 2011 election campaign were that the shopping-development was still not viable.

Yet WDDC's election-period leaflet (chided by KPMG) said: 'New development will bring £60m private investment and 660 jobs'.

It appears to be a false prospectus.

Now these, and some new, councillors are being asked/advised to agree another £2m from tax-payers, primarily to fund moving a church from one car-park onto another, with no guarantee there'll ever be a shopping-centre.

Will blind party-loyalty stop this critical issue properly going to the Scrutiny Committee and/or full two-way public consultation?

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Half-term Activities at Bridport Arts Centre

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The week kicks off with B-Sharp Music Performance sessions Monday 29 – Wednesday 31October. Budding musicians aged 12-19 can enjoy three days of music making with Pete Wild, Jacques Verhaeren and B Sharp trainees.

The sessions are well timed between 2-8pm so that teenagers don't have to get up too early!

If you would like to play or sing with a group that writes, grooves, performs and jams then come along. You don't have to be technically brilliant - just come with an open mind and a love for music. The workshops are led by professional musicians and B Sharp trainee leaders who have years of experience between them of performing and composing. Players are asked to bring instruments and amps.

There will be a free end of course performance on Wednesday 31 October at 7pm. The workshops are priced £20 per day and concessions are available. For further booking information contact Fran Williams: fran-williams @bsharp.uk.com.

For young people ages 8-11, there will be three days of theatre with Junior BAC-Stage Theatre School, Tuesday 30 October – Thursday 1 November

10.30am to 3pm daily. Led by Jonny Hoskins, the workshops will take place at the Lyric Theatre, Barrack Street. Children will immerse themselves in the exciting, exploratory world of physical theatre create a new play to be performed on Thursday 1 November. The theatre school costs £15 per day / £13 siblings. Places are limited for both workshops so booking is recccomended.

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The witch's kitchen in the woods is a spooky place where children can meet the witches up close and maybe get a sweet treat. And don't miss the roving children's entertainer doing fire eating displays at regular times throughout the evenings.

General Manager of Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens, John Houston, said: 'Fancy dress is encouraged and it's a marvellous sight to see goblins and ghosts of all ages getting into the spirit of Hallowe'en. There will be a competition on the Abbotsbury Subtropical Gardens Facebook Page to win a season ticket so watch out for that.'

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LEARN to weave in a day on a rigid heddle loom and take your finished scarf home at Dorchester Arts Centre on Tuesday 30th October from 9.30 - 4pm. All yearn, looms and tuition provided by staff from Frank Herring and Sons, a local family run business specialising in fine artists materials, craft and modelling goods, spinning wheels, and weaving accessories.

There is only space for 12 participants on this exciting day course at Dorchester Arts, so be sure to book early. The event is suitable for children ages 8+ and is guaranteed to be an exciting day of weaving, with great results your kids can show off to their friends.

Also at Dorchester Arts is 'Create a Play in a Day' on Wednesday 31st October from 9.30 -4pm. This is a great workshop that builds on local stories, to create a play around the theme of World War II evacuees in Dorset. Dorchester Youth Theatre director Jo Simmons leads this full day workshop with drama, games, improvisation and making props.

The workshop is suitable for ages between 7 and 14. Jo Simmons is a passionate actor and director, and is guaranteed to make this a really exciting and fun day for all involved!

Tickets are £25 (including all materials) for Weave a Scarf in a Day, and £20 for Create a Play in a Day from Tourist Information Centre 01305 267992 or Dorchester Arts 01305 266926. For more information visit: www.dorchesterarts.org.uk

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Ben Lake and Jason Jay to perform at Weymouth Pavilion

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Ben Lake spent 3 years as a solo artist in America after winning ITV's Michael Barrymore's – 'My Kind Of Music'. He then won the peoples vote as he was crowned 'West End Newcomer of the Year' starring as God in the controversial, yet critically acclaimed 'Jerry Springer The Opera'. With a stint in Phantom of the Opera, concerts globally and more recently an appearance on BBC1's The Voice to boot, Ben's "Powerhouse of a Voice" will be sure to bring the house down!

Jason Jay, who has been christened "Mr Swing", started in jazz clubs along the south coast and has had the pleasure of performing with the legendry Cleo Lane and recently performed as warm up to Harry Connick Jnr in Switzerland. He spent many years in the world of Musicals touring with major productions such as Oliver in the UK and Toronto. He has always been a crowd pleaser with a combination of voice and personality.

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'An Evening of 3 Halves' takes place at Weymouth Pavilion on November 10th.

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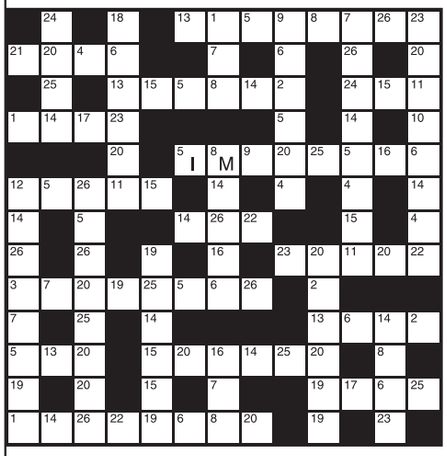

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

7. Ladies may become such models (6)
8. Illicit way to transfer stock (6)
10. People who live near it have little latitude (7)
11. Short, but not necessarily sweet, so to speak (5)
12. Point to a wood from the window (4)
13. Unlikely to be outwitted or feel pain (5)
17. A place to be occupied in the Albert Hall (5)
18. Hear about an ostrich (4)
22. Alter round afterwards (5)
23. It's easily taken by sensitive people to be a crime (7)
24. What a judge may do with a man in debt? (6)
25. A leader perhaps, but he won't lead (6)

Down

1. Unusual seaside shingles for example (7)
2. Ask for another search? (7)
3. It's material for the clergy (5)
4. Run true to form in training (7)
5. Back at sea? Grim! (5)
6. Not what landladies should do to boarders! (5)
9. A burning romance somehow holds it up (9)
14. Attitude taken by a navigator (7)
15. Bob could be English (7)
16. Rushes to find vocations (7)
19. Such panic may be started by fire or burglary (5)
20. An impressive sign of temper (5)
21. Later included in the draft erroneously (5)

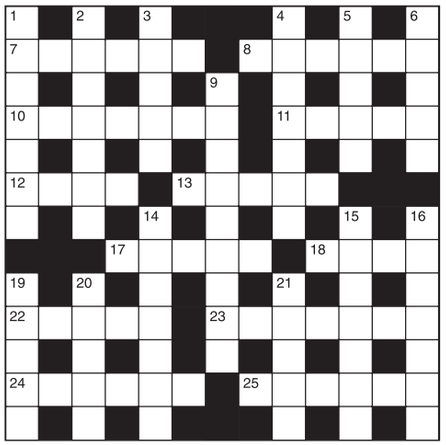
Quick Clues:

Across

7. Sags (6)
8. Assemble (6)
10. Uniform (7)
11. Hue (5)
12. Rescue (4)
13. Competitor (5)
17. Condition (5)
18. Inflamed eyelid (4)
22. Lift (5)
23. Cut short (7)
24. Unsubstantial (6)
25. Large bottle (6)

Down

1. Speak to (7)
2. Pardon (7)
3. Upset (5)
4. Biased (7)
5. Polish (5)
6. Salute (5)
9. Truce (9)
14. Disbeliever in God (7)
15. Alien (7)
16. Effective (7)
19. Skill (5)
20. Inflexible (5)
21. Ruffle (5)



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CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Watch; 4 Dresses; 8 Lantern; 9 Tiara; 10 Chow; 11 Satiated; 13 Boat; 14 Peer; 16 Ungainly; 17 Argo; 20 Tenon; 21 Granted; 22 Dessert; 23 Error. Down: 1 Well conducted; 2 Tango; 3 Heel; 4 Denial; 5 Entwines; 6 Shatter; 7 Standing order; 12 Patience; 13 Bygones; 15 Flight; 18 Rotor; 19 Name. QUICK - Across: 1 Catch; 4 Depress; 8 Nominal; 9 Topic; 10 Eros; 11 Aggrieve; 13 Stop; 14 Pass; 16 Nativity; 17 Rose; 20 Idler; 21 Relieve; 22 Larceny; 23 Press. Down: 1 Consequential; 2 Tempo; 3 Hang; 4 Deluge; 5 Paternal; 6 Express; 7 Secretiveness; 12 Converse; 13 Settler; 15 Stormy; 18 Obese; 19 Clap.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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	7	1			8		3	

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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1	9	5	6	8	4	3	2	7
6	3	2	5	9	7	8	4	1
7	8	4	2	1	3	9	6	5

Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

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VARIETY is the spice of life on Bridport's St Michael's Trading Estate which, although now in its 45th year of operation, remains one of the town's best kept secrets.

The estate has built a well deserved reputation for its artists' quarter which boasts a unique variety of specialist, portrait and landscape artists and its range of dealers with extensive stocks of antique and reclaimed furniture, ornaments, collectables, sculpture – you name it St Michael's antiques specialists probably have it.

Over the years however, St Michael's has developed a truly eclectic mix of traders: a milliner and hat maker; a safety, sports and fish netting manufacturer; a stonemason; carpentry and furniture making; interior design; upholstery; bathrooms; furniture sales; environmental recycling; soft furnishings and curtains, a signwriter, a jeweller, a wine merchant; textiles, haberdashery and sewing skills; vintage clothing and even a wax sculptor. You can see more examples on the back page of this supplement

All this tucked away in the South West Quarter of Bridport – so if you are visiting Bridport's busy South Street Saturday market then just a short walk down Gundry Lane and you'll find us.

St Michael's has been in and out of the news locally for the last year or more but all the businesses on the estate remain well and truly open for business and ready to welcome you to this unique corner of West Dorset

How to find us

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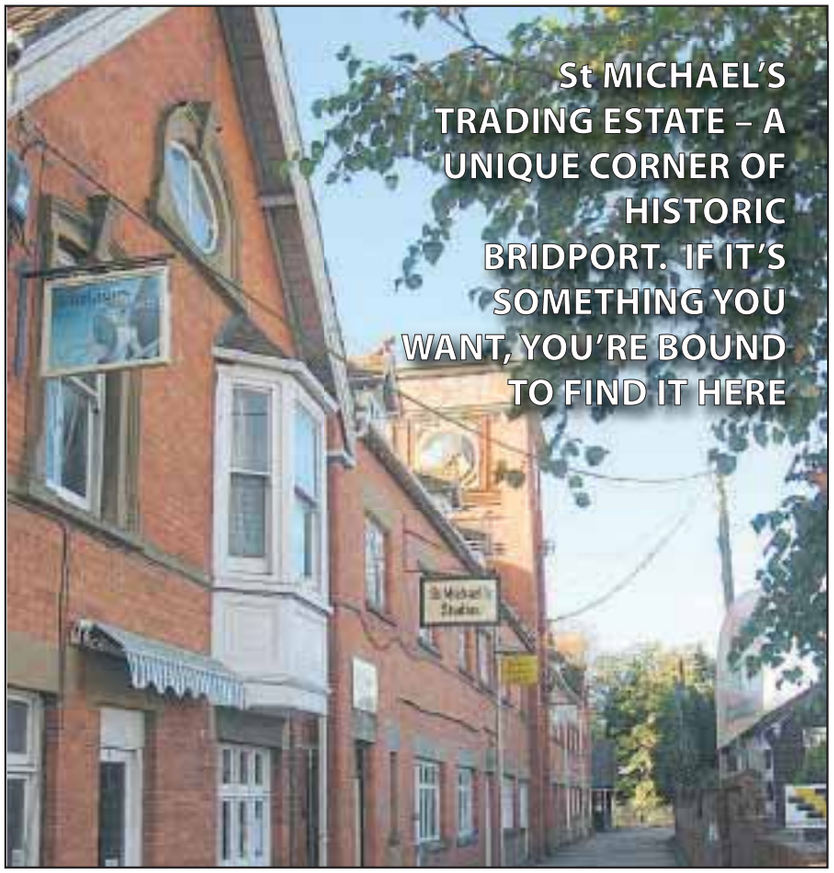

AN abundance of beautiful hats – Milliner Fiona Neylan surrounded by just some of her colourful and creative designs. Fiona welcomes visitors to her Skylight Studio on the St. Michael's Trading Estate but recommends a call to her first on 07905 999437.

Bridport has become a focal point for millinery and hat making in the south west; the Bridport Hat Week is now in its third year every September and the T. Snook's Hat Shop has been selling hats (and snuff and suspenders and cummerbunds) in the centre of town since 1896. Fiona also offers Organic "Eternity" Skincare products, free of parabens and harsh chemicals, natural and beautiful, plus nutritional supplements to boost beauty from within. Contact her on fionaneylan@yahoo.co.uk

Enterprising - just some of the giving Bridport

■ SOFA REPAIRS – Karl McGrady, proprietor of the Bridport Upholstery Company, which has been based at St.Michael's for nine years.

■ NET GAIN – Proprietor of Coastal Nets Ltd, Rod Barr, is pictured with scampi trawl netting produced for a customer in Scotland. Rod's business has been trading from St. Michael's for 25 years.

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St Michael's men and women its character

■ BRANCHING OUT – The Bridport Glass and Tile Centre has just received an order for glass from Hawaii, and proprietor Chris Marley, pictured, is delighted. Chris's grandfather helped Norman Hayward establish the original site in the late 1960s.

■ WHAT'S IN A NAME? – The Principle Nameplate Company produces quality nameplates, labels and event memorabilia. Pictured with some of their products are director Nina Marsh and head machinist Warrick Hill.

■ ALADDIN'S CAVE – a typical view inside the Alleyways Antique Centre, which is a showcase for more than 30 traders selling a huge range of items and collectables.

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PICTURED are two of the businesses that typify the diversity of the St Michael's Trading Estate. Above: Owner Tom Baldry, of Livingstone Textiles at work with Helen Deans. The textile business has operated at St. Michael's for many years.Below: Everything in the garden is lovely: Jim Clarke, director, with a display of the work of his company, Fat Leaf, manufacturers of top quality garden furniture.

ARTISTS' QUARTER

Adrian Everitt
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Kit Glaisyer
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DIARY DATES

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WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 31ST

MAIDEN NEWTON: Maiden Newton Art Group Workshop with Ann Martin - Watercolour Landscapes. 10.30am to 4pm.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 1ST & SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3RD

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SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3RD & SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4TH

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8TH

KINGSTON MAURWARD, NEAR DORCHESTER: Plant heritage Group. 'Garden Design', an illustrated talk giving an in-depth look at Structural Planting design to enhance the garden throughout the year, by Dorset based, independent designer Helen Elks-Smith. In the Conference Room, Kingston Maurward College, Nr Dorchester. Visitors welcome (£2.50, Students £1.00 at the door). Details from Peter on 01305 772533 and the NCCPG website.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10TH

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FIND UNIQUE CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT SHERBORNE ART AND CRAFT SHOW

DIGBY Hall, Hound Street, Sherborne is hosting The Dorset Art and Craft Show on Saturday, October 27th and Sunday 28th. Visitors can enjoy work from a wide range of over 40 quality exhibitors displaying a wonderful variety of unique hand crafted items all for sale.

This annual event is now in its 39th year, offering a well-established venue for beginning your Christmas shopping amongst some tempting, unique items, all sold directly by their makers.

The wide range of quality work for sale includes handcrafted jewellery, art, handbags, fashion accessories, photography, toys, stained glass, baby gifts and homeware. Many makers who do not usually take part in local craft fairs are exhibiting at The Dorset Art & Craft Show, ensuring the event provides a way of viewing high quality, contemporary art and craft work at an accessible venue.

Amongst the work exhibited at Sherborne will be hand painted pottery and glassware by Linda Harker, silver and gemstone jewellery by Jackie Hartwell, hand weaved scarves by Annabella Harding, wood turning by Trevor Ball and photographic prints by Colin Tracy. Amongst the many demonstrations you can see at this show will be smocking and Dorset buttons by Rosalind Atkins and jewellery-making by Rose Mayerling.

By coming along to this event you will be offering your support to local enterprise and exhibitors will be happy to discuss their particular craft if you wish to learn more about their skills.

There is free admission for all visitors and delicious refreshments will be available throughout the show, including light lunches, teas, coffees and homemade cakes. Follow AA Road Signs for directions to the venue.

Later this year, The Dorset Art & Craft Show will also visit Dorchester's Corn Exchange on Saturday 8th December. For further details visit dorset artandcraftshow.co.uk or call Lindsay on 07730 557090.

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Acclaimed pianist to perform at Dorset County Museum

Ben Waters and Jools Holland

PROCLAIMED by Jools Holland as one of the best pianists of all time, Ben Waters' performances are simply breathtaking – he's accompanied numerous legends of rock 'n' roll from the likes of Chuck Berry, Jerry Lee Lewis, Shakin' Stevens and the Kinks' Ray Davies!

Last year, Ben was instrumental in re-forming The Rolling Stones to cut his star-studded tribute album to Ian Stewart (Boogie4Stu) which featured all the members of The Rolling Stones, Jools Holland and PJ Harvey. The proceeds from the album have already amassed a whopping £20,000 which has been donated to The British Heart Foundation, in memory of the late Ian Stewart who died of a sudden heart attack at a young age.

Ben has toured with the incredible ABC&D of Boogie Woogie which also features Axel Zwingenberger, Dave Green and Charlie Watts.

This November and December, Ben will be touring the UK on 227 dates, performing music from "Boogie4Stu" as well as an eclectic mix of seminal rock 'n' roll, boogie woogie, blues and rip-roaring originals in this rare solo tour.

Ben has also performed for HRH Prince Charles and at the actor and fellow musician, Hugh Laurie's 50th Birthday Party, plus countless corporate events across the globe.

Ben's forthcoming tour will provide audiences with a foot-stomping performance that will leave them wanting more.

The forthcoming concert at Dorset County Museum takes place at 8pm on Saturday, November 17th. Tickets cost £12 and are available now from the Museum Shop at Dorset County Museum on 01305 756827or email shop@dorsetcountymuseum.org. Doors open at 7.30pm.

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MAZDA'S investment in 'active' safety technology to help drivers avoid accidents or reduce the severity of collisions has resulted in cheaper insurance for the owners of every Mazda CX-5. Mazda's compact SUV is the first product from the Japanese manufacturer to feature innovative SKYACTIV technologies.

Because Mazda's 'Smart City Brake Support' (SCBS) system is standard-fit across the CX-5 compact SUV range, the ABI (Association of British Insurers) has decided to lower the original insurance group ratings for this model by two groups – across the 18-strong line-up – from 20 October.

SCBS is an automatic emergency braking system which uses radar sensors in the front of the car to monitor the closing distance and speed to the vehicle in front. If the system detects that a collision is likely and the driver hasn't reacted in-time, the system applies the vehicle's brakes to prevent the accident or reduce its severity. The system is most effective when the speed difference between the driver's car and the vehicle in front is less than 19mph.

The ABI's decision was taken after comprehensive tests of the SCBS were conducted by the Thatcham Research Centre. Thatcham has been working closely with the EuroNCAP safety organisation to understand and quantify the benefits of fitting automatic emergency braking systems.

If systems like Mazda's SCBS become a universal fitment, it is estimated by EuroNCAP that road accidents in Europe could be cut by 27 percent, saving 8,000 lives a year.

"Although any change in premium depends on many factors that insurers evaluate, even a small reduction in group rating has the potential to cut insurance costs," comments David Wilson-Green, Aftersales Director, Mazda UK. "We anticipate that the lowered group ratings for CX-5 could result in annual savings up to £50 on some models for our customers."

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Thanks to having SCBS fitted as standard on all models, the ground-breaking Mazda CX-5 was voted joint-winner of the '2012 Safety Award' last week at the annual Scottish Car of the Year ceremony, where its automatic emergency braking system earned high praise from the Association of Scottish Motoring Writers.

Last month, Mazda's CX-5 was crowned What Car? Green SUV of the Year, averaging a remarkable 47.2mpg in the magazine's ground-breaking True MPG test. In June, the Mazda CX-5 was crowned 'Best Crossover' in the 2012 Auto Express New Car Awards for its "...space, quality and style with a great drive and incredible efficiency".

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THE Jaguar XF has been awarded Car of the Decade by the Southern Group of Motoring Writers (SGMW), adding to its collection of more than 100 awards. The SGMW is made up of 30 motoring journalists, editors and authors, and the XF was awarded Car of the Decade at an event to mark the group's 10th Anniversary.

Sue Baker, the Chairman for the SGMW, said: "The Jaguar XF has a style, grace and driving calibre that impressed our members enough to make it our outstanding choice as Car of the Decade as we celebrate the group's 10th anniversary.

"With its proud heritage, voluptuously sculpted design, engineering precision and wow-factor cabin, the XF is a worthy winner of this notable award."

Jeremy Hicks, Managing Director, Jaguar Land Rover UK, said: "The XF has seen real success since its launch in 2008, and to receive this award from the Southern Group of Motoring Writers, in which the most significant cars of the past ten years have been considered, is another fantastic accolade. Over 52,000 XF models have been sold in the UK and the awards tally has risen to over 100 globally. The introduction of the 2.2-litre diesel engine to the XF range has opened doors in the corporate market – an area we take very seriously and in which we see great growth potential."

One of the principal developments of the XF has been the introduction of new powertrains which has seen improvements to fuel efficiency and emissions performance and opened up new market opportunities. The XF 2.2-litre diesel for instance, which boasts highly competitive CO2 emissions, starting from just 135 g/km and economy of 55.4 mpg, has opened up opportunities in the corporate sector. The introduction of the XF Sportbrake will also open up new market opportunities.

▲ Jaguar XF named Car of the Decade

Is it time for a change?

AS THE winter nights draw in, TyreSafe is reminding drivers that it's not just their clocks that may need changing this weekend. Now is also the ideal time to check if their tyres are legal and safe enough to carry them through the winter months when road conditions become more treacherous and accident levels typically increase.

"The clocks going back this weekend are a timely reminder to drivers that winter is well and truly on its way and with it, the need for extra care and attention on the road," comments Stuart Jackson, chairman, TyreSafe. "The cold and damp conditions mean that roads can easily become slippery and dangerous so it's essential that your tyres are in the best possible state to cope with this."

Drivers heeding TyreSafe's warning are advised to check three key items to maximise their safety on the road. Pressures should be checked to ensure they are inflated to the vehicle manufacturer's recommended levels. The condition of tyres should be inspected to ensure they are free from cuts, lumps or bulges. Finally, tread depth should be checked to ensure it is well above the legal minimum of 1.6mm around the entire circumference of the tyre.

If the safety benefits of adequate tread aren't enough to convince drivers to check their tyres, they should also bear in mind the possible punitive implications. Drivers found to be driving on illegal tyres face a fine of up to £2,500 and three penalty points on their licence for each illegal tyre.

"Adequate tread depth is particularly important during the winter as it is essential for safety in the wet," adds Jackson. "However, a simple way to check this is by taking our 20p pledge which can be found on our Facebook page. It's quick, it's simple and it might just save your life."

Drivers wishing to check their tyres themselves can find a host of advice, information and 'how-to' guides on TyreSafe's website, www.tyresafe.org. However, as part of October's tyre safety month, hundreds of garages and tyre retailers across the country are offering complimentary, no-obligation tyre safety checks. To find the details of your nearest participating outlet, contact TyreSafe on 0845 3016852.

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Volkswagen tees up new Golf for first customer orders

THE seventh-generation Volkswagen Golf opened for ordering last week, with prices starting below those of the previous model, at just £16,285 (RRP OTR) and rising to £24,880.

The latest Golf is lighter, safer, more advanced, more spacious, more efficient and better equipped than previous generations of Europe's best-seller, of which over 29 million have been sold – some 1.6 million of these in the UK. From launch, the Golf is available in the UK in three trim levels: S, SE and GT (GTI and BlueMotion models join the line-up in 2013). Four petrol engines and two diesel engines are available, in either three- or five-door form.

The petrol engine range starts with a four-cylinder 1.2-litre TSI unit producing 85 PS, rising via a 1.2-litre TSI 105 PS and a 1.4-litre TSI 122 PS motor to the 1.4-litre TSI 140 PS with Active Cylinder Technology, which is capable of 60.1 mpg (combined cycle) and 110 g/km (with DSG gearbox), thanks to the ability to deactivate two cylinders under light loads.

The diesel engines at launch are a 1.6-litre TDI 105 PS and a new 2.0-litre TDI 150 PS unit. Both feature the latest common rail diesel technology for maximum efficiency. All new Golf models – both diesel and petrol – come with a Stop/Start system as standard, along with battery regeneration. Gearboxes are a mixture of five- and six-speed manuals, and six- and seven-speed DSG units, depending on the engines' power and torque outputs.

All Golf models come with seven airbags, including a driver's knee airbag, five three-point seatbelts, ABS with ESP, XDS electronic differential lock and Isofix preparation for two rear child seats. The entry-level Composition Media system includes a 5.8-inch colour touchscreen, DAB digital radio, a CD player, MDI interface (for connecting iPod or MP3 player), Bluetooth telephone preparation and audio streaming and eight speakers. Also standard is 'Climatic' semi-automatic air conditioning, among a host of other features.

Moving from S to SE trim brings an outstanding range of features, including standard ADC Automatic Distance Control with Front Assist and City Emergency Braking, which can even bring the vehicle to a complete halt if necessary, a Driver Alert System, PreCrash preventative occupant protection, Driver Profile Selection, rain-sensitive wipers, an automatically dimming rear-view mirror and dusk sensor (automatic driving lights).

The GT model comes with 17-inch alloy wheels, front fog lights, 'Cherry Red' rear light clusters, heat-insulating dark-tinted rear glass, electrically foldable door mirrors with puddle lights, and front and rear parking sensors with visual display. Inside are gloss black inserts, Alcantara and cloth sports seats, LED reading lights, ambient lighting and the Discover Navigation media system with 5.8-inch colour touchscreen.

Options include high beam assist, lane assist, park assist, ACC adaptive chassis control, a rear-view camera, Discover Pro navigation system with eight-inch colour touchscreen, keyless entry and a panoramic sunroof.

Volkswagen Retailers begin taking orders for the new Golf last week, 19 October, with first deliveries due from the car's official on-sale date of 7 January 2013. For more information visit www.volkswagen.co.uk.

▲ The new Volswagen Golf

Ford Fiesta crowned 2012 What Car? Used Car of the Year

FORD took four honours at this year's What Car? Used Car awards including top prize for Ford Fiesta – which is also the UK's top-selling new car.

The five-door Ford Fiesta 1.25-litre Zetec was voted best in the used supermini class – retaining the title from last year – while also taking the prestigious overall Used Car of the Year award. Judges praised its value for money as a pre-owned vehicle, refinement and ability to put a smile on any driver's face.

Chas Hallett, What Car? editor in chief, said: "Ford Fiesta more than deserves the 2012 Used Car of the Year award, which was a unanimous decision by the judging panel. At launch it was named the overall What Car? Car of the Year and since then Fiesta has proved to be the ultimate used purchase. It is stylish, well equipped, practical, economical, safe and drives better than any rivals."

Also taking home a What Car? trophy was the Ford Mondeo, winner of the family category for the second year running. Rating the Mondeo 2.0-litre TDCi Zetec as best in class, the judges said: "Other cars could rival it for interior space, refinement and practicality, but nothing else did it all at such an incredibly low price."

Ford's popular S-MAX in 2.0 TDCi 140PS Zetec guise was Used MPV of the Year. It was praised for being "that rarest of things, anMPV that's fun to drive."

Mark Ovenden, Ford Britain managing director, said: "Ford's leadership position in the new car and van market means an equally strong choice of Fords for buyers of used vehicles. This is a vibrant market, especially in the current economic climate, so thanks to What Car? for endorsing the Ford Fiesta and our other winners."

Ford's record in the What Car? Used Car of the Year awards is impressive, having won at least one category for the past five years. Focus was top family car in 2007, 2008 and 2009. The Ford Fiesta, launched in 2008, was the winning used supermini by 2011. S-MAX has been class runner-up three times and the winner twice.

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09 (59) FORD FIESTA TITANIUM 1.6 Petrol, in Squeeze Green pearlescent, 5 Door hatchback, Alloys, Radio/CD, Bluetooth, A/C, Rear Parking sensors, Auto temp control, Locally owned, 11,500 miles appx **£9,495**

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Europcar adds the Kia Optima to its fleet

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Positioned by Kia as the ideal car for business drivers, the Optima will complement the existing choice of executive saloons on the Europcar fleet. Having won the 2011 Red Dot Design 'Best of the Best' Award, the Optima is ideally suited to business travel, particularly in built-up and congested traffic, thanks to its 'Stop & Go' system and low CO2 emissions. It also incorporates Bluetooth facilities as standard, ensuring that Europcar customers can stay connected – but safe - while they're on the road.

"This is the first time we've added the Optima to the Europcar fleet" explained Ken McCall, Managing Director, Europcar UK Group. "This new generation business car perfectly complements the other vehicles on our fleet that are ideal for business journeys.

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Offering crystal-clear reception of national and regional radio stations, Digital Audio Broadcasting allows van drivers to enjoy high quality radio behind the wheel. Available as an upgrade for all Vauxhall commercial vehicles, the DAB systems can be quickly and easily fitted by a Vauxhall retailer for just £195.

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Vauxhall Product Development Manager, Simon Gibbs said: "It's great that Vauxhall van drivers will be able to tune into digital radio on the road, with an outstanding choice of stations compared with standard FM radio."

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DORSET FOOTBALL ROUND-UP
WITH WILL MOWBRAY
Premier League
Blandford Utd 2 Bridport Res 3
SIXTH placed side Bridport recorded their sixth win when they defeated their hosts.
The Bees raced into a 3-0 half-time lead, their goals coming from Gary Bulman, Michael Hailu and Tristan Gale with a penalty conversion.

This stunned the Royals into a better second half performance as they scored twice through Joe Wells and Joe Baker. This was Blandfords 10th defeat as they stay in the bottom four.

Wareham Rangers 0 Weymouth Res 3
THE Terras movedinto the top half of the League with this victory against their hosts, their marksmen being Ashley Wells, Tom Bell and Sanchez Jansz-Baker.

This defeat for the Rangers was their sixth as they slip down to 12th place.

ROUND-UP
SENIOR LEAGUE
MERE Town maintained their top spot but had to settle for only a point in their two-all draw with their hosts Kingston Lacy, they're main marksmen were Simon Dyer and Bradley Kendrick.

Last season's Champions closed the gap on the leaders to three points following their two nil win at Gillingham Town with their strikes coming from Steven Churchill and Liam Gould.

Piddletrenthide United moved into the top three with a single goal win against their visitors Westland Sports with their marksman being Rob Baney.

Blandford United Reserves returned from 5-3 success against Upwey and Broadwey with the host's goals coming from Darren Samways with two and one from Phil Anderson.

Weymouth Sports moved into the top half of the league, after a one goal win against Stourpaine. Their strike coming from Sam Culpin.

DIVISION ONE
POUNDBURY Rovers moved up a lace to fifth place with a 5-0 win against Merley Cobham Sports with their marksmen being Matthew Dear and Steve Oliver both with a brace and one for Kev Boyland.

Bridport A won for the second time this season in only their third game when they defeated their hosts Chickerell United Reserves with the host's goal coming from James Hansford.

DIVISION TWO
DORCHESTER Sports moved into top of the league following their 6-3 success against their visitors Wareham Rangers with their strikes coming from Karl Hicks with a hat trick and one each for Tom Godfrey, Daniel Anderson and Alex Travers.

Corfe Castle returned to winning form to move into fourth place this after their 4-0 win against Wyke Regis Social Club with their goals coming from Lee Turner with two and one from each from Ben Stuckes and Luke Reynolds.

Portland Town Reserves are still looking for their first win of the season but they did pick up their second point when they drew one all with Sturminster Newton United Reserves with their goals coming from a penalty conversion from Teejay Smith- McFarlane.

DIVISION THREE
PIDDLEHINTON United increased their lead at the top of division three to three points with a 3-1 win in the top of the table clash with Handley Sports with the Sports goal coming from Rob Scadding.

With their third win of the season Stalbridge moved up into the top four with an old goal in three victory against Portesham with their goals coming from James Gooder and Nick Coleman.

DIVISION FOUR
MERE Town Reserves stay at the top of the league following their 4-2 victory in their top of the table clash against their visitors Donhead United Reserves with their goals coming from Craig Winscombe with two and one each for Ben Strong and Maladi Benjamin.

AFC Blandford stay in second spot after their 5-1 success against their visitors from Cranborne Reserves with their strikes coming Michael Gleadell, Lee Forward, Charlie John, Dan Haylock and David Mitchell.

DIVISION FIVE
PIMPERNE Sports Society increased their lead at the top of division five to three points following a 5-0 win against Portland Town A with goals from Paul Ford (2), Dale Hoffman (2) and Martin Griffiths.

Two sides in the lower regions of the League Milborne Sports Reserves and Handley Sports Reserves played out a three all draw with the Milborne goals coming from Jay Elliott with a brace and one from Mark Ayles.

RESULTS - OCTOBER 13th
Dorset Premier Division
Blandford Utd 2-3 Bridport Res
Hamworthy Utd Res 1-4 Portland Utd
Holt Utd 2-1 Hamworthy Recreation
Merley Cobham Sports 1-4 Tintinhull
Shaftesbury Town 1-5 Chickerell Utd
Wareham Rangers 0-3 Weymouth Res
Cranborne 3-2Poole Borough
Senior League
Gillingham Town Res 0-2 Portland Res
Kingston Lacy 2-2 Mere Town
Piddletrenthide 1-0 Westland Sports
Sturm Newton 5-0 Sturminster Marshall
Upwey & Broadwey 3-5 Blandford Res
Weymouth Sports 1-0 Stourpaine
League Division One
Bere Regis 3-3 Milborne Sports
Chickerell United Res 1-4 Bridport A
Poole Borough Res 2-4 South Cheriton
Poundbury 5-0 Merley Cobham Res
Swanage T & Herston Res 2-1 Kangaroos
Dorset League Division Two
Dorset League Division Two
AFC Cobham 2-2 Gillingham Town A
Corfe Castle 4-0 Wyke Regis Social Club
Donhead Utd 0-4 Shaftesbury Town Res
Dorchester Sp 6-3 Wareham Rang
Portland Town 1-1 Sturm Newton Res
Dorset League Division Three
Handley Sports 1-3 Piddlehinton United
Lytchett RT 6-1 Maiden Newton Stalbridge 2-1 Portesham United
Stickland United 2-3 Okeford United Res
Sturm Marshall Res 4-1 Owermoigne
Dorset League Division Four
AFC Blandford 5-1Cranborne Res
Bishops Caundle 4-4 UFC Poundbury
Corfe Mullen Res 1-6 Portland Town ResLittlemoor 1-1 Broadstone FC Seniors
Mere Town Res 4-2 Donhead United Res
Dorset League Division Five
Dorset League Division Five
Broadstone FC 4-2 Lytchett RT Youth
Marnhull 4-4 Wellworthys
Milborne Sports 3-3 Handley Sports Res
Pimperne SS 5-0 Portland Town A

FIXTURES
Saturday 27 October 2012
Dorset Premier League Cup
Chickerell Utd v Wareham Rangers
Cranborne v Merley Cobham Sports
Holt Utd v Sherborne Town Res
Portland Utd v Parley Sports
Shaftesbury Town v Blandford Utd
Swanage T&H v Weymouth Res
Tintinhull v Hamworthy Utd Res
Wincanton Town v Ham Recreation
Dorset Premier League
Bridport Res v Poole Borough
Senior League
Blandford United Res v Westland Sports
Kingstone Lacy v Upwey & Broadwey
Mere Town v Weymouth Sports
Okeford United v Gilingham Town Res
Stourpaine v Piddletrenthgide United
Sturm Newton United v Portland Res
Witchampton United v Sturm Marshall
League Division One
Bridport A v Wincanton Town reserves
Corfe Mullen United v Bere Regis
Kangaroos v Poole Borough Reserves
Merley Cobham Res v Swanage T&H Res
Milborne Sports v Chickerell United Res
South Cheriton v Poundbury Rovers
Dorset League Division Two
AFC Cobham v The Balti House
Ship Inn Wool v Dorchester Sports
Corfe Castle v SturmNewton Utd Res
Wareham Rangers v Donhead United
Weymouth Spar v Shaftesbury Town
Wyke Regis SC v Gillinghham Town A
Dorset League Division Three
Bere Regis Res v Stalbridge
Maiden N & C v SturmMarshall Res
The Belvedere Inn v Okeford Uniterd Res
Owermoigne v Portesham United
Piddlehinton United v Lytchett RT
Stickland United v Handley Sports
Dorset League Division Four
Broadstone FC v Corfe Mullen Res
Littlemoor v Bishops Caundle
Portland Town Res v Mere Town Res
Puddletown v Cranborne Res
United FC Poundbury v AFC Blandford
Dorset League Division Five
Handley Sports Res v Broadstone FC
Lytchett RT Youth v Pimperne Sport
Portland Town A v Marnhull
Swanage Town A v Maiden N & Cattistock
Wellworthys v Milborne Sports Res

AS THEY STAND

Premier	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Portland Utd	10	9	0	1	23	27
Holt Utd	12	8	2	2	10	26
Hamw'thy Rec	13	8	0	5	29	24
Wincanton	10	7	3	0	19	24
Chickerell Utd	11	6	3	2	12	21
Bridport Res	12	6	3	3	10	21
Tintinhull	13	6	1	6	-7	19
Weymouth Res	13	5	2	6	-3	17
Parley Sports	9	4	3	2	5	15
Hamw'thy Res	12	4	3	5	-4	15
Shaftesbury	12	5	0	7	-8	15
Wareham Ran	12	4	2	6	-3	14
Cranborne	11	4	1	6	-7	13
Sherborne Res	12	2	4	6	-11	10
Blandford Utd	13	3	0	10	-17	9
Merley Sports	11	2	3	6	-22	9
Swanage & H	8	2	1	5	-11	7
Poole Borough	12	2	1	9	-15	7

Senior League	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Mere Town	7	6	1	0	15	19
Portland Utd	7	5	1	1	6	16
Piddletrenthide	6	4	0	2	7	12
iWitchampton	6	4	0	2	5	12
Sturminster Utd	7	3	1	3	7	10
Stourpaine	7	3	1	3	4	10
Weymouth Spts	7	2	3	2	-2	9
Gillingham Res	6	3	0	3	-4	9
Blandford Utd	6	2	1	3	-7	7
Westland Spts	5	2	0	3	0	6
Upwey & Brdwy	5	2	0	3	-1	6
Okeford Utd	4	1	1	2	-5	4
Kingston Lacy	5	0	1	4	-7	1
Sturm Marshall	6	0	0	6	-18	0

Division One	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
South Cheriton	4	4	0	0	15	12
Milborne Spts	5	3	1	1	15	10
Corfe Mullen	4	3	1	0	12	10
Poundbury	6	3	1	2	6	10
Poole Borough	7	3	0	4	-5	9
Bere Regis	5	2	1	2	-3	7
Bridport A	3	2	0	1	2	6
Swanage T&H	3	2	0	1	-2	6
Wincanton Res	3	2	0	1	-2	6
Kangaroos	4	0	2	2	-2	2
Chickerell Res	4	0	0	4	-6	0
Merely Cobham	6	0	0	6	-30	0

Division Two	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Dorchester Spts	6	5	0	1	16	15
AFC Cobham	6	4	2	0	7	14
The Balti House	6	4	1	1	12	13
Corfe Castle	6	4	0	2	5	12
Shaftesbury Res	6	3	0	3	3	9
Gillingham	6	2	2	2	5	8
Wyke Regis	6	2	1	3	-7	7
Sturminster Res	6	2	1	3	-10	7
Weymouth Spar	4	2	0	2	-1	6
Donhead Utd	5	2	0	3	-8	6
Wareham Res	6	1	1	4	-6	4
Portland Town	6	0	2	4	-9	2
Ship Inn, Wool	3	0	0	3	-7	0

Division Three	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Piddlehinton	6	5	1	0	19	16
Handley Sp	6	4	1	1	12	13
Lytchett RT	4	4	0	0	22	12
Stalbridge	6	3	1	2	0	10
Okeford Utd	5	3	0	2	0	9
Sturm Marshall	5	3	0	2	0	9
Portesham Utd	5	3	0	2	-1	9
Stickland Utd	6	0	3	3	-3	3
Belvedere Inn	2	0	1	1	-1	1
Bere Regis	3	0	1	2	-6	1
Owermoigne	6	0	1	5	-17	1
Maiden Newton	6	0	1	5	-25	1

Division Four	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Mere Town	6	5	0	1	15	15
AFC Blandford	5	4	1	0	11	13
Donhead Utd	5	4	0	1	13	12
Broadstone	5	2	2	1	8	8
Bishops Caun	6	2	2	2	5	8
Puddletown	5	2	1	2	5	7
Portland Town	5	2	1	2	-1	7
UFC Poundbury	5	2	1	2	-6	7
Littlemoor	5	1	1	4	-5	4
Weymouth Spar	4	1	0	3	-13	3
Corfe Mullen	5	1	0	4	-14	3
Cranborne	5	0	1	4	-18	1

Division Five	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Pimperne	4	4	0	0	18	12
Swanage T&H	3	3	0	0	14	9
Marnhull	5	2	2	1	3	8
Milborne Sp	4	2	1	1	8	7
Wellworthys	4	2	1	1	4	7
Portland Town	6	2	1	3	-6	7
Maiden N&C	5	2	0	3	-5	6
Handley Sports	5	1	2	2	-17	5
Broadstone FC	5	1	1	3	-5	4
Kangaroos	5	1	0	4	-9	3
Lytchett RT	2	0	0	2	-5	0

MAGPIES ROUND-UP - NEWS FROM DORCHESTER TOWN FC

Ford gives Rolls-Royce performance

Weymouth 3 Hitchin Town 2
Evo-Stik Premier - att:
MARK Ford hit a superb hat trick to give Weymouth a much needed victory that sees them move in to the top half of the Evo-Stik South Premier Division ***WRITES STUART BROOM***.

In a first-half riddled with defensive mistakes on both sides, Hitchin Town held a 2-1 interval lead at the Bob Lucas Stadium, but a much better second half display saw the Terras take the lead within the hour before holding on for three valuable points.

Weymouth got off to the worst possible start going one down in just 67 seconds.

Straight from the kick off the Canaries attacked, and Zak Burke was allowed to run at the defence before laying the ball wide to Callum Donnelly who returned it to the striker on the penalty spot.

Keeper Simon Evans did well to beat away his point blank shot and when John Frendo followed up, McConnell blocked his effort on the goal line.

That scare inside 20 seconds should have been a warning to the hosts, but with their very next attack Frendo beat three defenders on the edge of the area before firing his shot across Evans and just inside the far right hand post for the lead.

Weymouth responded and Dan Smith who had an excellent game, fired a 30 yard shot just over the angle of the goalframe before beating three defenders in a mazy run before the ball was forced out for a corner.

Ford whose intelligent running off the ball and closing down of defenders made him the man of the match, could easily have had a hat trick in the first half.

On 14 minutes he controlled Scott Walker's ball over the top before volleying over keeper Martin Bennett, but his shot thudded against the crossbar.

However a minute later he got his reward when he picked up Kyle Critchell's ball down the left channel and drove his shot under Bennett into the opposite corner of the net from 12 yards.

At this stage both defences were being carved open so easily a goal looked a prospect with nearly every attack, and when Hitchin attacked from the restart they were rewarded with the lead.

Frendo's slide-rule pass put Burke in on the penalty spot and he quickly switched feet before firing past Evans.

It was like pinball as Scott Walker immediately sent Ford clear of a porous Canaries defence, but his 25-yard lob landed on top of the net before Frendo then volleyed straight at Evans from McGovern's cross, and 20 minutes hadn't passed on the clock yet!

Both sides finally managed to get their acts together, and it wasn't until the 41st minute that there was more goalmouth action when Smith's shot, after weaving his way into the visitors' penalty box, was hacked away by Hitchin skipper Dean Gilbert.

Just before the break Walker could only direct his header from Barry McConnell's cross into Bennett's hands, before another visiting goalmouth skirmish came to nothing

The second half began just a frenetically as the first, with Weymouth equalising inside two minutes.

Smith's run into the area was blocked on the byeline by Gilbert at the expense of a corner, and from Walker's resulting flag kick, Ford's run to the near post was rewarded when he got in front of Gilbert to neatly head home.

Weymouth with their tails up pounded the visitors' goal. Smith put Ford in on the keeper but the ball got caught under his foot and his shot bobbled wide of the post, before Ben Joyce's cross was hacked away by Gilbert.

Joyce then cleverly dinked the ball over the defence but Ford, reaching for it, did not quite connect.

Only a superb save from Bennett prevented the Terras going ahead. Walker's first effort from a 25-yard free-kick was charged down, but his left foot thunderous volley from the rebound was heading for the top corner before Bennett tipped it over.

Weymouth were denied a penalty when Laurie Steward push Ford over just inside the angle of the penalty area and then Craig Duff headed against the crossbar, but finally Weymouth's pressure told on 59 minutes. Walker's free-kick was headed back across goal by Palmer where Sam Poole got a glancing header. The ball had drifted wide of the post, but Ford chased it and hooked it into the roof of the net from an acute angle.

■ HAT-TRICK HERO: Mark Ford

With their noses in front Weymouth settled down to dictate the rest of the game, with the defence putting in a much more solid performance.

They might have added to the lead on 80 minutes when Ford robbed Steward and set up Walker but he drove his shot wide of the upright.

Hitchin only had one real chance in the second half and that came in a goalmouth flurry five minutes from time when after a flurry of shots and blocks, Palmer hacked Frendo's effort off the line.

This was a wonderful game for the neutrals to watch, and Terras manager Brendon King can take some satisfaction from his side's second-half performance.

World's top windsurfers in Weymouth & Portland

SCORES of the world's top windsurfers will battle for the right to be crowned 'King of the wind' in Weymouth and Portland next month when the best freestyle windsurfers in the world descend upon its shores.

The European Freestyle Pro Tour's 'tow-in' windsurfing will drop into Weymouth Bay and Portland Harbour from November 3rd-6th.

Around 15,000 people will also be able to watch the climax to the event on November 5th when the action will coincide with Guy Fawkes Night on Weymouth seafront, which will include a bonfire and fireworks display. The 'night tow-in super session' kicks off from 6pm.

Some of the UK's top riders will be involved including Adam Sims and Jamie Drummond. They will be joined by leading windsurfers from across Europe who will all battle it out for in excess of €5,000 prize money.

The Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy is home to the Official Test Centre for Windsurfing, and there will be demo vans from many of the leading windsurfing brands, as well as support from headline sponsors and media partners at the during the event.

Nick Dempsey, who clinched a windsurfing silver on Weymouth & Portland waters at the 2012 Olympic Games, said: "I used to do freestyle; if you're windsurfing on flat water it's a way of keeping it more interesting. I hope it inspires kids to give it a go."

The ten-year old event has toured across 66 venues in nine different countries all across Europe, with over €720,000 prize money, and it is the first time riders will battle it out for silverware on UK shores.

XPLG, the event organisers, said: "By pulling strings left, right and centre we have closed the deal on an evening tow-in super session on the Monday night.

Tow-in windsurfing involves a windsurfer being towed by a jet-ski and then released to perform various tricks. The event is brought to the UK by Centaur Executive Coaches.

Matt Ryan, Head of Tourism & Events at Weymouth & Portland Borough Council, said: "This is yet another fantastic international event that Weymouth and Portland has the privilege of hosting."

SCRUM DOWN - rugby round-up

WITH KEITH JENKIN

Supermarine buried under try deluge

WEYMOUTH 75 SUPERMARINE 0

ALTHOUGH play during the first ten minutes of this Southern Counties encounter was largely indeterminate, it did appear that the home side were getting a very discernable edge in the set scrums. In fact they took the lead via the boot of out-half Sheppard who kicked a the goal after his side had won a penalty after exerting pressure in this area.

The home side increased their lead five minutes later. Supermarine had been conceding a rash of penalties and one of these was kicked to the corner. Weymouth won the ensuing lineout and mauled their way over, with lock Quick coming up with the ball. The ball was touched down five yards in from touch.

One-way traffic was developing in home favour and they scored again around the end of the first quarter when, having won good ball inside their opponents' twenty two, out half Sheppard set off on a mazy run.

He was tackled just short but found Joel Wilson in support and the centre crashed over by the sticks. Sheppard converted from in front and daylight had appeared between the sides.

A third home try came on the half hour mark. Again Weymouth kicked a penalty award to the corner, won the lineout and, after a couple of thrusts from their pack, spun the ball wide and Wilson got over close to the posts. Sheppard again goaled and Weymouth were away and clear at 22-0 ahead.

The bonus point try came before the interval. Supermarine were conceding a considerable number of penalties and I felt that the referee could well have gone to cards but he did not. Again the ball was kicked to the corner and Smethers was bundled over the line by his colleagues at something of a gallop.

Supermarine were doing little right at this stage. Their restart did not go the required ten metres and Weymouth attacked from the ensuing set scrum; and the icing came on Weymouth's cake just before the break when a wayward kick out of their opponents' defence fell to full-back Hoxey on halfway.

He weaved his way through the entire Supermarine side and touched down by the posts. Sheppard converted this one with the last kick of the half to take the score line to 34-0.

Within two minutes of the restart Joel Wilson completed his hat-trick and Sheppard converted.

Weymouth then went back on to the attack, catching a Supermarine defender in possession and forcing him to concede a five metre scrum. They then pushed over with number eight Sam Morris claiming the try.

Sheppard, who had kicked well, both from hand and tee all game, added the extras to take the score to 48-0.

Morris then got his second try in as many minutes when he took advantage of some ineffectual tackling to touch down halfway out. Sheppard duly converted and converted the next one also, scored by Comden.

The prop had carried well for much of the game and charged over in spite of the attentions of several defenders.

The score now stood at 62-0 and one could only feel a little sorry for Supermarine.

A diagonal kick by Sheppard found winger Allen. He slipped his marker, made good ground and put Hoxey in.

The out-half's conversion kick was again accurate, and when Wilson completed a brisk exchange of passes to touch down in the final minutes, he converted this one also to complete the scoring.

Supermarine were not a very good side, while Weymouth were superior in every aspect of the game.

They dominated the set scrums, their lineout went well and they ran with penetration, ball in hand.

Importantly they held their shape when the going became easy in the second-half, and Sheppard kicked well - as his 21 point haul signified.

WEYMOUTH 2nd 0

PUDDLETOWN 22

PUDDLETOWN were facing the Weymouth second side on an adjoining pitch to the Weymouth first team encounter and I was able to take in some fragments of that game.

The visitors certainly started the better and, after Yeatman had been wide with an early penalty goal attempt that was the result of early pressure he combined with flanker, Watts to send winger Thomson in at the corner.

The try remained unconverted and, with the contest being considerably closer than the final score line suggests, Puddletown could only manage another unconverted try before the halfway stage.

It came when, having been given a platform by the pack, the ball was spun wide for full back Dan Udell to come into the line at pace, go through the gap and make the line. The visitors were probably worth their 10-0 interval lead.

The Weymouth pack certainly had its say for much of the second period. The visitors' defence coped however and a couple more tries took them to the win.

The first was touched down by Chris Thomson after the ball had been spun accurately along his back division.

Passes were given and taken at pace and he galloped over, having been given the ball outside his marker, a result of the good work of the players inside him. Yeatman added the extras to this one.

The second was scored by flanker Moise who wrong footted the defence for the bonus point try.

My impression of this one was that, although Weymouth gave as good as they received for much of the game, they did so on an individual basis, while their opponents, a more settled side, were also the more cohesive unit.

The Weymouth third side were on the wrong end of a rather severe mauling from a strong Bournemouth fourth side down in division four.

WALCOT 12 DORCHESTER 17

WHILE Dorchester would have ended the day satisfied with the result, they would hardly have been pleased with what was a rather scrappy encounter.

Defences and errors dominated the first period and, although it was the visitors who opened the scoring after some twenty minutes play with a James Baker penalty, they could not establish any sort of a pattern to their play.

In fact it was Walcot who took the lead when they touched down a converted try after tapping a penalty some five metres from the Dorchester line. Joe Gower was sent to the bin at this juncture and, although the score line remained unchanged in his absence, and Baker then narrowed the gap by kicking his second penalty of the half, Dorchester still trailed 7-6 at the change round.

Strong words were probably digested with the half time oranges and Dorchester opened the second period in positive fashion, and regained the lead when, after a bout of pressure, Baker slotted his third penalty of the game.

Alas! They then appeared to revert to type. Their game became error strewn and they fell behind when the home blind side jinked his way over in the corner for a good opportunist and individual try.

Now trailing 10-9 Dorchester did more than their share of attacking subsequently and came close to scoring on more than one occasion.

Frustratingly they could not do so until, with less than five minutes left for play, Baker got in at the corner. The try remained unconverted and a tense few minutes seemed to be a prospect.

Not so! Dorchester negotiated this period without a problem and a fourth Baker penalty goal at the last that took them out of penalty goal range and served to run the clock down and to gain them what was a rather "ugly" win.

The Dorchester second side cruised to a very comfortable win over bottom side Fordingbridge seconds in the Dorset & Wilts League division Two (South), coming out on top 59-15.

PREVIEW

THE lower divisions of the Dorset & Wilts League do not have fixtures on Saturday next, and PUDDLETOWN, together with Dorchester seconds Bridport seconds, and the Weymouth second and third sides are without league fixtures.

WEYMOUTH travel to TROWBRIDGE for a fixture that is likely to test them.

The home side have lost just the once so far this season, and its reversal came at the hands of league leaders, Sherborne.

Trowbridge's strength lies in its pack of forwards, and it also has an accurate place kicker, or had when I last watched the side.

If Weymouth can achieve parity up front, they can pose a few problems. A win here might just be beyond them.

DORCHESTER travel to FROME, a side who, like themselves, reside in the division's mid table.

The home side have already beaten Corsham this term, a side who recently bested Dorchester, but not too much can be read into that fact.

I think that, if the visitors can select from a full squad, then they will come back with the league points. If not then it is anybody's game.

BRIDPORT too are on the road for they play IVEL BARBARIANS in a game the winner of which will assume top spot in the Dorset & Wilts league Division One (South).

Their opponents too are unbeaten thus far, and have certainly racked up more points than the Brewery Field brigade.

This has all the makings of a close encounter, and I doubt if there will be more than a score in.

Bridport will certainly travel with confidence if they can select from a full squad.

FIXTURES 27th October

Bridport v Ivel Barbarians (away); Bridport 2nd v Crewkerne 2nd; Chard v North Petherton; Dorchester v Frome (away); Weymouth v Trowbridge (away).

YOUTH CRICKET

Portland wide of the mark

THE Osprey Centre, Portland hosted week four of the West Dorset Indoor League as Cerne took on Portland.

Cerne Valley U12 125-4 beat
Portland Red Tringle 102-3 by 23 runs

CERNE won the toss and elected to bat but were soon in trouble when an excellent catch from Owen Harrison accounted for S Downey off the bowling of Owen Lovett.

Cerne fought back against some wayward bowling which included 43 wides, as O.Bailey (32) and T.White (15) punished the Portland attack. They continued to score runs at a steady rate and despite another wicket for Owen Lovett and wickets for Will Cotter and Joe Adkins, T.Conibear (16 no) and P.Taylor (18) pushed the score onto 125-4 at the close of the innings.

Portland kept up with the run rate early on but lost two quick wickets with J.Adkins cleaned bowled by Taylor and Owen Lovett run out by a fine throw.-

Luke Lovett (PRT Man-of-the Match) scored a mature 25 before having to retire. Cerne's bowlers continued to bowl a tight line and matched by some sublime fielding pushed the run rate up as the final three over began.

Charlie Durant (17) and Harrison (16 no) batted well and punished anything short, but were unable to overhaul the Cerne total.

Portland coach Grant Neven praised both teams: "Once again both teams produced some excellent cricket and gave a lesson in sportsmanship to all watching.

"All were a credit to their clubs who should be proud of them."

Eileen signs off with a victory

Weymouth Golf Club Ladies Section

EILEEN Ferguson bade farewell to her fellow members at Weymouth Golf Club before moving to Scotland by winning the Dorothy Wildash and Amy Brooks Cups in the Ladies Section's latest competition.

Eileen was taught to play golf at the Wessex Golf Centre then joined the Weymouth Golf Club in 1988.

However, after 24 years as a member she is relocating north of the border with her husband David.

She leaves behind many friends and happy memories and will continue to play at the Thornhill Golf Club South West Scotland.

Results:

Dorothy Wildash and Amy Brooks Cups: Winner Eileen Ferguson 35pts; RU Jackie Taylor 34pts.

EWGA breakthrough medal: Winner Carol Freeman (89 gross) 65net; RU Elaine Rockingham (99 gross) 65 net.

4BBB Open competition: Visitor Winners - Pastsy Batchelor & Diane Kingsbury (Parkstone GC) 39 pts; Weymouth Winners - Lisa Lown & Mandy Hawkins 36 pts.

Ladies Stableford: Silver Division - Winner Penlope Hunt 31 pts; RU Julie King 30pts:

Bronze Division - Winner Jackie Taylor 29 pts; RU Jean Green 28pts.

■ **FAREWELL: Scotland-bound Eileen Ferguson signs off with a cup double.**

Dorchester & District Snooker League

***RESULTS**: West Dorset Club A 6 Trinity Gooduns 1, Colliton Hopefuls 3 Colliton Cons 5, Trinity M 4 Purbeck Potters 3, Trinity Express 6 WDC Whipping Boys 0.*
***30+ breaks**: G.Bartlett 49, E.Wellman 30.*
***Top Break of the Season:** Graham Bartlett (West Dorset Club A) 49.*

Table	Pld	W	D	L	N/R	Pts
West Dorset Club A	6	4	0	2	0	28
West Dorset Club C	5	4	0	1	0	25
Trinity Express	6	4	0	2	0	23
Purbeck Potters	5	3	0	2	0	22
Trinity Gooduns	5	2	1	2	0	18
Trinity M	4	3	1	0	0	17
Colliton Hopefuls	6	1	0	5	0	17
Colliton Cons	5	1	0	4	0	16
Colliton XQ2012	5	2	0	3	0	15
Colliton Club B	3	1	0	2	0	9
WDC Whipping Boys	4	1	0	3	0	8

Team Open Knockout Cup - Round 2 draw
West Dorset Club A v Colliton Club B (Oct 29th), Colliton Hopefuls v Purbeck Potters (Nov 12th), Trinity Gooduns v West Dorset Club C (Oct 31st), Colliton Cons v WDC Whipping Boys (Nov 1st).

Rearranged league matches
WDC Whipping Boys v Trinity M (Nov 6th), Trinity M v Colliton Club B (Nov 21st), Colliton XQ2012 v Colliton Club B (Nov 26th).

Reminder - League results
TEAMS are reminded that results must be with the Secretary by 9am on the Sunday following the match. Failure to notify results or cancellations to Secretary by this time results in a 2 point deduction for the home or cancelling team.

Dorchester Youth rugby

Encouraging start for Blues U10s

DORCHESTER Under 10's enjoyed a superb start to their season when they travelled to Wimborne to play the hosts and also a visiting Salisbury side.

Dorchester's first game was against one of the 3 Salisbury teams and they got off to a flying start with two quick tries, the first from an interception from the first move of the game. The bigger club failed to find their feet against a very organised and disciplined Dorchester side who continued to apply pressure on Salisbury both in attack and defence, with solid tackling and well drilled rucking and mauling.

In attack, the handing also impressed with most runners finding space, and more importantly support when they were eventually brought down. Dorchester fully deserved their 5–0 victory and clearly enjoyed every minute of the game.

The second of three matches saw Dorchester take on a stronger Salisbury side that proved a much tougher game with less open play. Dorchester struggled a bit against the strong driving in rucks and lost ground to an organised Salisbury team. The defence was solid however and Dorchester were unlucky to concede two breakaway tries which made the final 1-3 score an unflattering reflection of their efforts.

The fnal game was against Wimborne who, after taking an early lead, were quickly pegged back by Dorchester. Again the Blues defence was rock solid and in attack the pitch started to open up as players looked more actively for the spaces. This proved to be a very tight game, but Dorchester proved too good for the hosts as they came out 2–1 winners at the final whistle.

Try Scorers: Miles Quick (4), Freddie Charles (3) and Jack Haslewood

Match Results: Dorchester 5 Salisbury 2nd 0, Dorchester 1 Salisbury 1st 3, Dorchester 2 Wimborne 1.

U18s make it three in a row
Dorchester 36 Frome 10

DORCHESTER gained a second bonus point win on the bounce when Frome unfortunately turned up with only 14 players, but did very well to keep the score down.

Dorchester started very brightly, pretty much taking up where they left off the previous week, Ben Burnell touching down twice in the first 15 minutes; both scores unconverted.

Harry Smith then ran a beautiful line under the posts and then added the extras.

The home side were in complete dominance at this stage, not only in the scrum but also out wide, and George Askew completed the first half scoring when he touched down out wide.

The second-half was a rather strange affair and the home side allowed Frome to get back in the game. The visitors were trying to play a forward-orientated game and were rewarded with two unconverted tries.

However despite making various changes Dorchester added to their score with a second score for Askew after good work by Charlie Harries.

Then Will Holmes capped a fine display with his first of the season, one conversion completing the scoring, and another good victory.

Trowbridge 9 Dorchester 10

DORCHESTER made the long trip to Trowbridge looking to build on recent performances.

Faced with a narrow boggy pitch it was obvious that that the hosts would play a forward orientated game and so it was.

After seven minutes Jack Hargreaves carved the home defence open and touched down for a converted try.

Trowbridge had to rely on two penalties to stay in touch and at half-time it was 6-7 to Dorchester.

A strange decision by the referee 17 minutes after the interval that allowed Trowbridge to take a narrow lead with a third penalty.

This Dorchester side are made of stern stuff, and when Trowbridge infringed on their 10-metre line, Dorchester skipper Charlie Harries opted for a kick at goal from which Harry Smith coolly slotted from 45 metres to restore the lead.

The final 10 minutes were a tense affair not helped by some odd decisions. Nevertheless Dorchester's defence were more than up to whatever the hosts could throw at them and went on to make it three back-to-back victories.

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INSIDE: Dorchester RFC youth teams in fine form

Magpies host Pilgrims in FA Cup

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DORCHESTER Town earned the right to host League Two side Plymouth Argyle in the FA Cup First Round after overcoming a dogged, nine-man Bury Town 3-1 at the Greene King IPA Community Stadium on Saturday.

Despite this the Magpies had their work cut out against an the aggressive Ryman League Premier Division outfit who manager Phil Simpkin believes is destined for Conference status next season.

"A lot of people had the impression that because they were from a lower league that it was going to be easy. They are a club on the way up. They've got money, a lot of their players are full-time and I've no doubt that they will be in the Conference North next season. They are a good side but having said that they are not particularly nice people."

The Magpies took an early lead when Charlie Clough headed home at the far post following Jake Gosling's corner, but the Suffolk side had opportunities to equalise, the nearest when Sam Nunn's header from a corner struck the base of the post.

Simpkin reverted to a 4-5-1 formation at the break to counter Bury's line-up with Jamie Symes replacing Jamie Reid.

Bury Town however didn't help their cause when Luke Ingram was red carded for striking Neil Martin following a melee on 51 minutes.

A Bury player fell on the ball and when Martin tried to kick it from underneath him, a number of player got involved after which referee Adam Hopkins dismissed Ingram.

The visitors continued to cause problems and after spurning two good chances, Jamie Gleeson almost made them pay when he struck the outside of th upright with an angles shot.Lee Reed should have however equalised but with only Jason Matthews to beat lifted his shot over the bar.

Soon after Bury's skipper Tom Bullard was dismissed for a horrendous tackle on Jamie Symes that fortunately turned out to be nothing worse than bruising.

Dorchester finally broke their opponents with a second goal three minutes from time when Nick Crittenden headed home at the far post, but Connor Hall poked one home from close range to set the home fans nerves jangling on 90 minutes.

However in the fifth minute of added time, Ben Watson secured the victory by sidefooting home Gosling's cross.

Simpkin said about the dismissals: "Any impartial observer would agree that the referee had no choice but to red card both their players.

"The tackle on Jamie Symes is one of the worst I have ever seen and how he got away without being seriously injured I do not know, and their No 7 threw a punch at Neil Martin right in front of the assistant."

A relieved Simpkin who can now look forward to being the underdog's themselves said: "We just about deserved it, we didn't play as well as I would have liked us to have, but I have to say I and some of the senior players were nervous before the game because of how much was riding on the game, and subsequently it proved to be the case.

It was on paper the banana skin of all banana skins, but fair play to the lads we came through it. They're as good as any side we have played in our league this season, and at the end of the day we are delighted to have got a win."

Looking forward to the Pilgrims game Simpkin said: "The FA Cup is always special so we are hoping on a good gate, particularly as they had 6,000 at their match on Saturday, so I would expect a fair few to travel to us."

The club is expected to reap a cash bonanza regardless of the result as *ESPN* announced on Tuesday that the match is scheduled be screened live with a 4.30pm kick off.

The club have already pocketed £24,500 from the competition this season and there is another £18,000 to the winner of this game.

With each club receiving £63,800 for it being shown live on TV, this will be a huge boost to the club's finances.

■ **DELIGHTED:** Phil Simkin

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